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SUBJECT: KAUNDA REPEATS GOOD WISHES PUBLICLY

1. AT MY CREDENTIAL CEREMONY THIS AFTERNOON, KAUNDA REPEATED PUBLICLY WHAT HE AND CHONA HAVE SAID TO US PRIVATELY DURING THE LAST WEEK: THAT THEY WISH US WELL BUT THAT THEY WERE BADLY BURNED IN PREVIOUS SIMILAR ATTEMPTS AND THAT THEREFORE THEY WOULD CONTINUE PURSUING THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE VIOLENT LIBERATION OF RHODESIA UNTIL THERE WAS TANGIBLE EVIDENCE OF EARLY INDEPENDENCE IN NAMIBIA AND MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA. TEXT TO FOLLOW WHEN AVAILABLE TOMORROW.

2. AFTER THE CEREMONY, KAUNDA TOLD ME HE IS GOING UP COUNTRY TOMORROW FOR FOUR DAYS TO CONTINUE AN EARLIER TOUR WHICH HAD BEEN INTERRUPTED. HE EXPECTS TO RETURN SUNDAY MORNING. HE SAID I COULD BE IN CONTACT WITH CHONA IN THE MEANTIME. HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY THE SECRETARY MIGHT WANT TO VISIT LUSAKA SOMETIME DURING THE FOLLOWING WEEK AND LOOKED FORWARD TO SUCH VISIT. HE IS OBVIOUSLY NOT PLANNING ANY MEETINGS WITH FRONT-LINE PRESIDENTS BEFORE THAT.

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